

Vasquez Blvd/I70 Superfund Site, Operable Unit 1, Residential Property Cleanup, April 21, 2004 Update.

## 2004 Summary Statistics

Date Construction Started:	February 17, 2004	
Properties Completed prior to April 1	33	
Properties Completed from April 1-23	25	PURUO
Properties Completed in 2004	58	PUBLIC DOCUMENT
2004 Property Cleanup Goal	300	

## **Highlights**

- 1. EPA is continuing to negotiate a consent decree with ASARCO for the permanent placement of VB/I70 residential soils on the Globe Plant. The goal is to have an agreement in principle by the end of April. The VB/I70 soils placed on the Globe Plant will be managed by ASARCO under the guidelines established by the State of Colorado for the ASARCO Globe Plant Superfund Site Cleanup.
- 2. EPA has received an exemption from the watering restrictions. The exemption will allow EPA to water properties for 30 days after the cleanup has been completed to allow for the establishment of sod.
- 3. The construction crew is now fully staffed. It is anticipated that this crew will be able to complete an average of 10 properties per week.

## **Background**

Soil removal was started on February 17, 2004 using funds obligated to the project in 2003. Soil cleanup consists of the removal of 12 inches of soil with elevated levels of lead and/or arsenic. The cleanup levels established for lead and arsenic at this site are 400 ppm and 70 ppm, respectively. Residential yards are landscaped to a condition similar to that which existed prior to soil removal.

EPA has budgeted \$8.0 million of FY2004 remedial action funds to continue the remedial action at Operable Unit 1, residential properties. With these funds, EPA is planning to complete soil removal on an additional 300 properties, conduct exterior lead base paint abatement necessary to protect the soil removal remedy, sample properties which had not been previously evaluated for lead and arsenic soil levels, and implement the Community Health Program.

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